

## VOLUNTEERS.

The strength of the Volunteer Force (inclusive of cadets and rifle clubs) on the 1st July was distributed as follows:—

*Auckland (Officers and Men).*

|                                                    |     |     |     |     |       |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1 battery of Field Artillery                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 72    |
| 3 companies Garrison Artillery                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | 181   |
| 2 companies Engineers                              | ... | ... | ... | ... | 119   |
| 4 battalions Mounted Rifles (in all, 23 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,283 |
| 2 battalions Infantry (in all, 16 companies)       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 979   |
| 1 Field Hospital and Bearer Company                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 34    |
| 5 defence cadet companies                          | ... | ... | ... | ... | 286   |
| 12 defence rifle clubs                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | 261   |
| 1 garrison band                                    | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30    |

*Wellington (Officers and Men).*

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|----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1 battery of Field Artillery                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 83    |
| 2 companies of Garrison Artillery                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 245   |
| 2 companies Engineers                              | ... | ... | ... | ... | 178   |
| 4 battalions Mounted Rifles (in all, 19 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,006 |
| 5 battalions Infantry (in all, 38 companies)       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2,074 |
| 1 Field Hospital and Bearer Company                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31    |
| 23 defence cadet companies                         | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,158 |
| 60 defence rifle clubs                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,628 |
| 1 garrison band                                    | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28    |

(Four corps Mounted Rifles and one rifle corps in process of disbandment, also one cadet corps.)

*Canterbury (Officers and Men).*

|                                                    |     |     |     |     |       |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1 battery of Field Artillery                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 78    |
| 2 companies Garrison Artillery                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | 192   |
| 1 company Engineers                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 96    |
| 3 battalions Mounted Rifles (in all, 14 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 775   |
| 3 battalions Infantry (in all, 21 companies)       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,133 |
| 1 Field Hospital and Bearer Company                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29    |
| 8 defence cadet companies                          | ... | ... | ... | ... | 486   |
| 14 defence rifle clubs                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | 289   |
| 1 garrison band                                    | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26    |

*Otago (Officers and Men).*

|                                                    |     |     |     |     |       |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1 battery of Field Artillery                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 67    |
| 2 companies Garrison Artillery                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | 248   |
| 1 company Engineers                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 93    |
| 2 battalions Mounted Rifles (in all, 13 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 880   |
| 4 battalions Infantry (in all, 34 companies)       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,944 |
| 1 Field Hospital and Bearer Company                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42    |
| 15 defence cadet companies                         | ... | ... | ... | ... | 881   |
| 15 defence rifle clubs                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | 329   |
| 1 garrison band                                    | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30    |

*Nelson (Officers and Men).*

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|--------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2 batteries of Field Artillery                   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 148 |
| 1 battalion Mounted Rifles (in all, 4 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 304 |
| 1 battalion Infantry (in all, 11 companies)      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 651 |
| 1 Field Hospital and Bearer Company              | ... | ... | ... | ... | 56  |
| 8 defence cadet companies                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | 332 |
| 16 defence rifle clubs                           | ... | ... | ... | ... | 464 |
| 1 garrison band                                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 27  |

(One cycle corps and one cadet corps in process of disbandment.)

*Summary (Officers and Men).*

|                                                        |     |     |     |     |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 6 batteries of Field Artillery                         | ... | ... | ... | ... | 448   |
| 9 companies of Garrison Artillery                      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 866   |
| 6 companies of Engineers                               | ... | ... | ... | ... | 486   |
| 14 battalions of Mounted Rifles (in all, 73 companies) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4,248 |
| 16 battalions of Infantry (in all, 120 companies)      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6,781 |
| 5 Field Hospital and Bearer Companies                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 192   |
| 59 defence cadet corps                                 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3,143 |
| 117 defence rifle clubs                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2,971 |
| 5 garrison bands                                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | 141   |

19,276

After taking into consideration the corps noted as in process of disbandment, there still remains an increase on the total strength for 1st July, 1905.